

City of West Lafayette, Indiana
Board of Public Works and Safety
MINUTES

July 19, 2016
8:30 a.m.
Morton Community Center
Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Bradley L. Cohen, Brooke E. Folkers, Jason D. Huber, and Thomas J. Kent. Clerk Sana G. Booker presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. June 12, 2016, Meeting

Ms. Folkers moved to accept the minutes of the July 12, 2016, Board of Works meetings. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Bid Notice: Street Sweeper – Street

Street Commissioner Payne requested approval to seek bids for a new street sweeper. He explained that it will be for another one like the current street sweepers, which are mechanical with a broom that sweeps everything up to the top and picks up sticks as well. One of the older vehicles will be used as a trade-in.

Mr. Kent moved that the bid notice for the street sweeper be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

Commissioner Payne noted that the Street Department is still looking to hire drivers.

b. Resolution No. BW 2016-2: A Resolution Adopting a Title VI of the Civil Rights Act 1964, Plan for the City of West Lafayette – Facilities/ADA Coordinator

Clerk Booker noted that Facilities Director/ADA Coordinator Clark is not available this morning. She explained that this resolution was on a previous agenda, but two paragraphs had to be added dealing with sexual orientation and gender identity, and also the inclusion of members of the LGBT population of the City.

Mr. Huber moved that Resolution No. BW 2016-2 be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Claims

- i. AP Docket \$295,398.18

Mr. Cohen moved that the claims be approved. Mr. Huber seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

d. Informational Items

i. Legal Budget & Expenses – Controller

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

ii. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

iii. Purchasing Card Transactions

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

e. Other Items

► Engineering Assistant Garrison reported that the project on Happy Hollow Road is moving along well, although rain slowed things down a bit. Stormwater infrastructure is being put in, and preparations are being made for subgrade treatment to get the other side paved. He reported that the CSO project is also moving along without maintenance of traffic (MOT) changes. He reported that there were short closures in order to redo ramps that cross Frontage Road to make the sidewalk ADA complaint. There will be resurfacing later this week and possibly next week for Frontage Road, Nighthawk Drive, and Hamilton Street.

► Parks Superintendent Fawley reported that, starting next Wednesday, the Google trekker will be in West Lafayette. She explained that this is a big multi-lens camera that sits on a backpack above your head. It will allow us to walk on the trails and take pictures, similar to street views.

► Police Chief Dombkowski reported that there is training today on the Narcan program that began last summer. He explained that Narcan is an antidote for opiate overdoses, specifically heroin. Both the Police and Fire Departments will be training and re-certifying. He stated that since the program began Narcan has been administered about a half-dozen times, and it has saved lives. Chief Dombkowski reported that there were two incidents of strong-arm robberies over the last two weeks at 320 Brown Street, which is the Waterfront Apartments behind the Levee. He stated that the Department has been working with management in that complex and we are doubling efforts in that area for exposure. The detectives are working on some leads, and we are giving a lot of attention to that area.

► Human Resources Director Foster reported that there was recently a Fallen Officers Blood Drive, which was successful. However, there is still a critical blood shortage. She reported that one week from today the blood mobile will be in the parking lot of Morton Community Center. She asked that everyone consider donating. Chief Dombkowski stated that Captain Sparger organized the Fallen Officers Blood Drive. There is a target of 25 units for that drive. Last year we donated 26 units, and this year we donated 31.

► Mayor John Dennis reported that starting August 1, 2016, we will have a new Director of Development. The Director will be a gentleman by the name of Erik Carlson. Mayor Dennis stated that Mr. Carlson lives in Lafayette, but has worked in Louisville. He has a great deal of experience in community development and a strong background in the arts. He stated that Mr. Carlson will bring a completely different approach to how we do business in the Department of Development, and specifically with his experience in arts and culture it will be beneficial to the direction that this community is growing.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Cohen moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Clerk Booker adjourned the meeting.